



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Abe, et al.  
Serial No. : 09/989,975  
Filed : November 21, 2001  
Title : NUCLEIC ACIDS, EXPRESSION VECTORS AND HOST CELLS FOR  
MAKING CHIMERIC NUCLEIC ACIDS AND METHODS FOR PRODUCING  
IMMOBILIZED POLYPEPTIDES

Art Unit : 1652  
Examiner : David J. Steadman

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Total Claims	38	-	38	=	0	\$0
Independent	11	-	11	=	0	\$0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims						\$0

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a 3 month extension of time. \$475

TOTAL FEE DUE \$475

A check for \$475 is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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**REPLY TO ACTION OF FEBRUARY 24, 2004**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin at page 2.

Amendments to the claims begin at page 9.

Remarks/Arguments begin at page 16.

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